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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JANUARY 25, 2002 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to the January 25, 2002 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to this January 25, 2002 Office Action was due April 25, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action. The fee for a two-month extension of time for a small entity is TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed. A response to the Office Action is now due June 25, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

(2X Amended) A composition of matter comprising

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In The Claims:

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Please amend claims 9, 26 and 36 as follows:

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